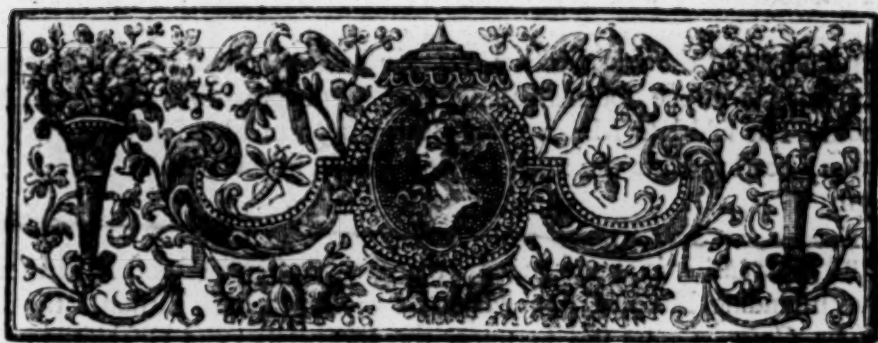




A BILL to enable William Grierſon, eldeſt Son of Sir Robert Grierſon of Lag, Baronet, to ſue or maintain any Action or Suit notwithstanding his Attainder, and to remove any Disability in him, by reaſon of his ſaid Attainder, to take or inherit any real or perſonal Eſtate that may have deſcended, or otherwiſe come to him, ſince His late Majeſty's moſt Gracious Pardon, dated the 29 June, in the twelfth Year of His Reign, or that ſhall hereafter deſcend, or otherwiſe come to him.

Moſt Gracious SOVEREIGN,

WHEREAS *William Grierſon*, eldeſt Son of Sir *Robert Grierſon* deceased, was unhappily ſeduced, in the Year 1715, to join in the Rebellion that was at that Time raiſed in *Scotland*; and being taken Priſoner at *Preſton*, was afterwards tried in *London*, where he was one of the firſt that pleaded guilty, and threw himſelf upon His late Majeſty's Mercy, and was attainted of high Treason; and thereby, and by one or more Act or Acts of Parliament, all the real and perſonal Eſtate of the ſaid *William Grierſon* became forfeited, and veſted in Trustees for the Uſe of the Publick.

And whereas the ſaid *William Grierſon* was, by the great Clemency, and innate Goodneſs of His preſent Majeſty, then Regent of the Kingdom, reprieved, and by an Act made in the third Year of the Reign of His ſaid late Majeſty King *George the Firſt*, entituled, *An Act for the King's moſt gracious general free Pardon*, the ſaid *William Grierſon* was pardoned,
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and discharged of and from Imprisonment, and Execution of his Person on such Attainder, but excluded from any other Benefit of the said Act.

And whereas the said *William Grierfon* having endeavoured, upon all Occasions, to atone for his past Offence, by a peaceable and dutiful Behaviour, His said late Majesty was pleased to grant him His most gracious Pardon, bearing Date the 29th Day of *June*, in the twelfth Year of His Reign.

And whereas it is apprehended, that without an Act of Parliament, notwithstanding His said late Majesty's most gracious Pardon, the said *William Grierfon* does still lie under the Incapacities and Disabilities occasioned by reason of his said Attainder, and that he cannot sue or maintain any Action or Suit, or take, transmit, or inherit any real or personal Estate, that since the Date of the last mentioned Pardon might otherwise have descended or come to him, or that shall, or may afterwards descend, or otherwise come to him, and is thereby excluded from the Means of providing for himself and his unfortunate Family.

For Remedy whereof, Your Majesty's most obedient and dutiful Subject, the said *William Grierfon*,

Doth most humbly beseech YOUR MAJESTY,

That it may be **Enacted**; **And be it Enacted**, by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, *That* the said *William Grierfon*, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, shall be, and he, and they, is, and are, hereby enabled, notwithstanding the said Attainder, to take, hold, inherit, sue for, and recover to his and their own Use and Benefit; and also to alien, devise or otherwise dispose of all such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other Estates, real and personal, which since the Date of the said Pardon have descended, or otherwise come, or would have descended, or otherwise come to him, in case no such Conviction or Attainder had been; and of all such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and other Estates, real and personal, that shall hereafter descend or otherwise come to him, or that he shall hereafter be possessed of, or might hereafter have descended or otherwise come to him, in case no such Conviction or Attainder had been, in as full, ample, and beneficial Manner, as he, or they, might take, hold, inherit, alien, devise, or dispose of the same, in case no such Conviction or Attainder had ever been; any Law or Statute to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all Sales, Conveyances and Assurances, Adjudications and Decrees, made or executed by the Commissioners and Trustees for the Sale of forfeited Estates, of, touching or concerning any Estate, Right, Title,

Title, Interest or Demand, either in Law or Equity, of, in, to, or out of any Honours, Mannors, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Estates, or Interest of the said *William Grierfon*, or any other Person, seized, possessed of, or intituled unto in Trust for him, or which were at any Time the Estate of the said *William Grierfon*, shall be, and are hereby ratified and confirmed, and shall be deemed, and taken to be good and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever against the said *William Grierfon*, his Heirs, Executors or Administrators, or any other Person claiming, or which shall, or may claim any Estate or Interest in the said Premises, or any Part thereof, from, by, or under him, any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Provided also, That nothing in this Act contained, shall extend, or be taken, or construed to extend to reverse the said Attainder of the said *William Grierfon*, save that the said *William Grierfon* may, notwithstanding the said Attainder, have, and enjoy the Powers, Capacities, and Advantages hereby given to him.

Saving and reserving to all and every other Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, his, and their Heirs, Successors, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, (except the King's most Excellent Majesty, and the said Commissioners and Trustees, and their Heirs) all such Estates, Rights, Title, Interest, Claim and Demand, in Law or Equity, as they may at any Time have to the real and personal Estates, ~~so descending, or come, or to descend, or come to the said~~ *William Grierfon*, his Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, by virtue of this Act, as fully to all Intents, Constructions and Purposes, as if this Act had not been made.

BILL

To enable *William Grieson*, eldest Son of
Sir *Robert Grieson* of *Lag*, Baronet, to
sue or maintain any Action or Suit,
notwithstanding his Attainder; and to
remove any Disability in him, by rea-
son of his said Attainder, to take or
inherit any real or personal Estate, that
may have descended, or otherwise come
to him, since his late Majesty's most
Gracious Pardon, dated the 29th of
June, in the Twelfth Year of His
Reign; or that shall hereafter descend
or otherwise come to him.

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Wm. not withstanding